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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration** 

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request** 

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget

(OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of

the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Greater Atlantic Region Vessel Identification Requirements.

OMB Control Number: 0648-0350.

*Form Number(s):* None.

Type of Request: Regular (extension of a currently approved information collection).

Number of Respondents: 3,665.

Average Hours Per Response: 45 minutes.

Burden Hours: 2,749.

Needs and Uses: Regulations at 50 CFR 648.8 and 697.8 require that owners of vessels

over 25 ft (7.6 m) in registered length that have Federal permits to fish in the Greater Atlantic

Region display the vessel's name and official number. The name and number must be of a

specific size at specified locations: the vessel name must be affixed to the port and starboard

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sides of the bow and, if possible, on its stern. The official number must be displayed on the port

and starboard sides of the deckhouse or hull, and on an appropriate weather deck so as to be

clearly visible from enforcement vessels and aircraft. The display of the identifying characters

aids in fishery law enforcement.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Frequency:* Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

This information collection request may be viewed at reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions

to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should

be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to OIRA\_Submission@omb.eop.gov or fax to

(202) 395-5806.

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